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For:

METHOD AND PRODUCTS TO ABSORB OIL AND ORGANIC

SOLVENTS FROM WATER AND FROM SEA

# SMALL ENTITY TRANSMITTAL FORM

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

July 24, 2002

# Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

- × Applicant claims small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27.
- is being transmitted via the  $\Box$ enclosed document Certificate of Mailing provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.8.
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The fee has been calculated as shown below:

	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENOMENT		HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR		PRESENT EXTRA	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL	20	-	21	=	0	\$ 9	\$0.00
INDEPENDENT	3	_	3	=	0	\$ 42	\$9.00
FIRST PRESENTATION OF A MULTIPLE CLAIM					\$140	\$0.00	
						TOTAL	\$0.00

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	Petition for ( ) month(s) extension of time pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.17 and 1.136(a). $\$0.00$ for the extension of time.			
<	No fee is required.			
	Check(s) in the amount of \$0.00 is(are) enclosed.			
	Please charge Deposit Account No. 02-2448 in the amount of \$0.00. This form is submitted in triplicate.			
If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.				
	Respectfully submitted,			
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SOLVENTS FROM WATER AND FROM SEA

#### AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

July 24, 2002

Sir:

In reply to the Examiner's Office Action dated April 24, 2002, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

#### IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claim 28 without prejudice or disclaimer of any of the subject matter contained therein.

Please amend the claims as follows:

- Claim 23. Amended A magnificular product having a high potential to absorb organic solvents, wherein the project is formed by cross linking a polymen so that the magnification or project only a fact of a local solvent only the range of local solvent only the ways retroval in project only with magnification of the ways of the magnification of the project of the magnification of the m